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6 US-led troops killed in bomb blast in Afghanistan: Taliban

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Taliban say at least six US-led troopers have been killed in a roadside bomb attack in eastern war-torn Afghanistan.

Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid claimed that the incident occurred on Tuesday when a tank belonging to foreign forces hit an improvised explosive device (IED) in Narkh district of Wardak province.

Mujahid says the tank was completely destroyed.

Locals in the area also said that a blast targeted a tank in the area, adding that choppers of US-led foreign forces soon arrived at the scene of the attack to transfer the injured to hospital.

The US-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) has not made any comments on the incident.

Militant groups use improvised explosive devices, including roadside bombs, against Afghan forces, foreign troops and civilians.

According to i-casualties.org, more than eight US-led soldiers have been killed in Afghanistan so far this year, as the total casualties stood at 3257 since the start of the US-led war in the country.

The United States and its allies invaded Afghanistan in 2001 as part of Washington's so-called war on terror. The offensive removed the Taliban from power, but insecurity continues to rise across the country, despite the presence of tens of thousands of US-led troops.